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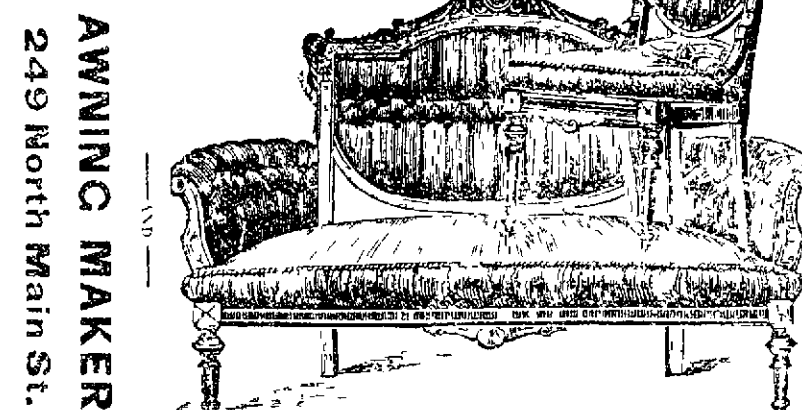


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OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—Charles Dudley Warner says that eighty per cent of the inmates of the Elmira Reformatory are sent out reformed and become good citizens. —N. Y. Sun.

—A flock of crows, estimated at from ten thousand to thirty thousand, appeared at Cossack, N. Y., the other day, and horses as well as people were frightened. —Troy Times.

—Prof. Mail says that there are to be found associated with seams of coal, and especially with the underlying shale, the flattened impressions of creatures which once had life, though at first strenuously doubted.

—A fountain is to be erected in Back Bay Park, Boston, to commemorate the early visit of the Norsemen to this country. It will cost six thousand dollars, and will be ornamented with Norsemen, galleys and bas-reliefs.

—Who has not felt his mouth water at visions of his grandmother's table came before his eyes, the brown bread and beans, the golden pumpkin pies, the big twisted doughnuts, and the rich coffee flavored with real cream? —Augusta (Me.) Journal.

—The progress of China toward civilization is extraordinary. The Chinese Government has sent six hundred dollars toward the Gordon testimonial; while Li Hung Chang has sent one thousand dollars. Had any Chinese Minister or official been Governor in this way fifty years ago, his head would have answered for it.

—An old lady living near Georgetown, S. C., sowed recently, as she supposed, some mustard seed. Days and weeks passed, but no plants appeared. She then sowed some more, and the seed having taken root were visible, and she decided to make an investigation which much to her surprise, revealed that she had planted some of her son-in-law's popovers, and not mustard seed, as was supposed.

—A serious epidemic of whooping cough has run through the islands of the Lagoon group. The malady has carried off all the very young native children, and left a decimation in the population of three thousand. A few years ago thirty thousand persons in Fiji died from an epidemic of measles. Since then the local Government has done much to instruct the people in the law of the deity.

—Only thirteen out of ninety-one samples of coffee analyzed during one month in Paris were pronounced pure. One specimen package is reported to have contained the following ingredients: Red earth, plum, coffee grounds, caramel, talc, plumbago, vermicelli, semolina powder, bean dust, carrots, bread crumbs, saffron, safflower, coffee, black dust, sawdust, nutmeg, Swings, vegetable earth, and sand.

—There are at present a large number of Mexicans moving southward through Utah. They are composed mostly of polygamists, and tell that they are bound for Arizona, which to an extent is the truth, but after they arrive in Arizona they continue to move southward and will not make a permanent rest until they get to Mexican territory, where they will make homes for themselves. —San Francisco Alta.

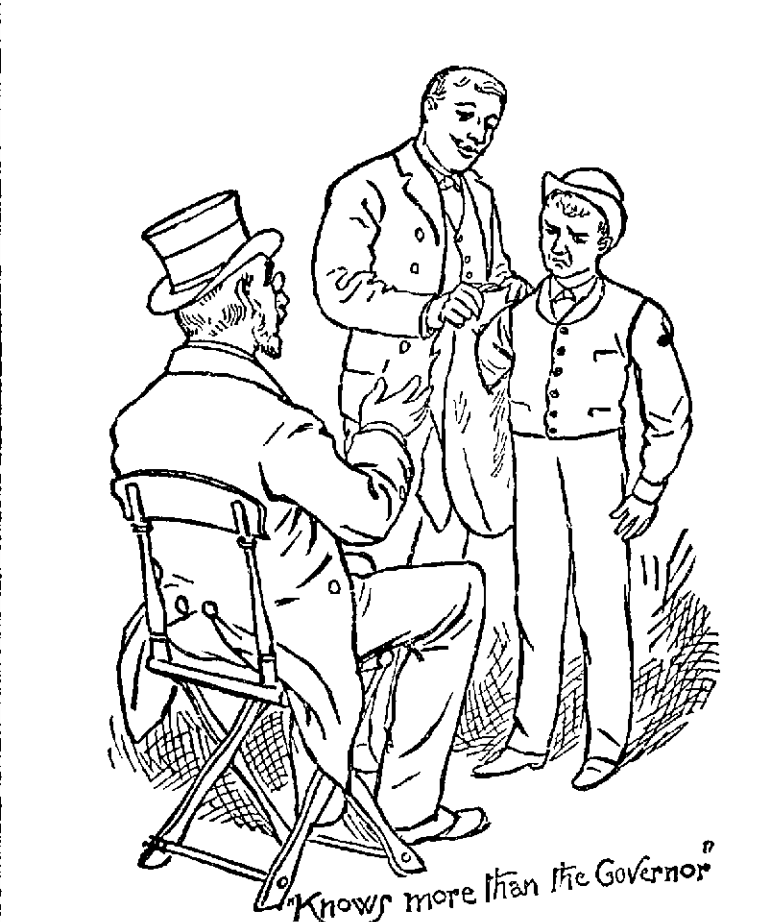
—Ho was a tame curate away in the wild Black country of Australia, and he was waiting in church to marry a couple of aborigines. Enter one of them the male, in a hurry and in his work clothes, with his hands and face covered with mud. "Aw, we can't be wedded," said the curate, "in that garb." "It is my misfortune," replied the other, "that I am a married man. My wife is downright dirty." "No drier," said the curate, "than I am." —London Truth.

—There is no more curious sight than the bloody ceremony of the great bridge at six o'clock in the afternoon. The cars are then run at about a minute and a half headway, as they call it, by which they mean that two cars are crowded on the bridge, and about that hour in every minute and a half. The passengers then descend a stairway to the street, but notwithstanding the interval of time named, the procession of people is unbroken. During the rush of business a constant stream of men and women, seven and eight abreast, is to be seen descending these stairs. —N. Y. Sun.

—A New York firm applied to Abraham Lincoln, some years before he became President, as to the financial standing of some of his neighbors. "Yours of the 10th instant received. I am well acquainted with Mr. Lincoln, and know his circumstances. First of all, he has a wife and baby, together they ought to be worth fifty thousand dollars to any man. Second, he has an office in which there is a safe, and a safe is worth a dollar and fifty cents, and three cents worth, say one dollar. Last of all, there is in one corner a large rubber hole which will be looking into. Respectfully yours, A. Lincoln." —N. Y. Tribune.

—It is reported that a large number of Lake George Islands, New York, are monopolized by squatters, some of whom have erected cottages. The plan adopted to secure possession is to get appointed custodian of an island. This obtained, the custodian takes possession, clears up the ground to suit his purposes, has a cabin built, and becomes lord and master of the situation. Formerly the islands were the favorite resorts of parties who professed camp life to hotel accommodations. Now it is difficult to obtain the privilege of cooking a meal on most of them, and in some instances glaring signs warn all parties against trespassing upon the premises.

—A gentleman scientifically inclined captured a spider, and by a careful estimate made by means of actually weighing it and then confining it in a cage he found that it ate four times its weight for breakfast, nearly nine times its weight for dinner, thirteen times its weight for supper, finishing up with an ounce and at eight p.m., when he was released, ran off with the spider. At this rate a man weighing one hundred and sixty pounds would require the whole of a fat steer for breakfast, the dose repeated with a half-dozen well-fattened sheep for dinner, and two fat hogs, eight sheep and four hogs for supper, and then, for lunch, before going to his club banquet he would indulge in about four barrels of fresh fish. —Chicago Times.



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